

**TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF  
STATE PLAN MATERIAL****FOR: HEALTH CARE FINANCING ADMINISTRATION**

1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER:

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2. STATE:

Arkansas

3. PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION: TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL  
SECURITY ACT (MEDICAID)TO: REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR  
HEALTH CARE FINANCING ADMINISTRATION  
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE

February 1, 2001

5. TYPE OF PLAN MATERIAL (Check One):

☐ NEW STATE PLAN☐ AMENDMENT TO BE CONSIDERED AS NEW PLAN☐ AMENDMENT

COMPLETE BLOCKS 6 THRU 10 IF THIS IS AN AMENDMENT (Separate Transmittal for each amendment)

6. FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION:

TWWIIA of 1999, Section 201

7. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT:

a. FFY 2001 \$ 57,249.01

b. FFY 2002 \$ ~~704,446.40~~ 382,438.01\*

8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT:

Please see attached listing

9. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION  
OR ATTACHMENT (If Applicable):

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10. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT:

The Arkansas Title XIX State Plan has been amended to add a new optional categorically  
needy Medicaid eligibility group called "Basic Coverage Group".

11. GOVERNOR'S REVIEW (Check One):

- ☒
- GOVERNOR'S OFFICE REPORTED NO COMMENT
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- ☐
- COMMENTS OF GOVERNOR'S OFFICE ENCLOSED
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- ☐
- NO REPLY RECEIVED WITHIN 45 DAYS OF SUBMITTAL

☐ OTHER, AS SPECIFIED:

12. SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL:

13. TYPED NAME:

Ray Hanley

14. TITLE:

Director, Division of Medical Services

15. DATE SUBMITTED:

October 26, 2000

16. RETURN TO:

Division of Medical Services  
P. O. Box 1437  
Little Rock, AR 72203-1437Attention: Binnie Alberius  
Slot 1103**FOR REGIONAL OFFICE USE ONLY**

17. DATE RECEIVED:

10-31-00

18. DATE APPROVED:

January 25, 2001

**PLAN APPROVED - ONE COPY ATTACHED**

19. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL:

February 1, 2001

20. SIGNATURE OF REGIONAL OFFICIAL:

Calvin G. Cline

21. TYPED NAME:

Calvin G. Cline

22. TITLE: Associate Regional Administrator  
Division of Medicaid and State Operations

23. REMARKS:

\*Pen and Ink Change to Block 7, per State's request of 01-25-01 (via e-mail).

**ATTACHED LISTING FOR  
ARKANSAS STATE PLAN  
TRANSMITTAL #00-014**

**8. Number of the Plan  
Section or Attachment**

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Attachment 2.6-A, Pages 12c  
12d, 12e, 12f, 12g, 12h, 12i,  
12j, 12k, 12l, 12m, 12n, 12o,  
12p, 12p-1 and 12p-2  
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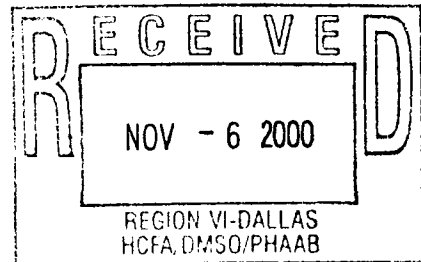
**9. Number of the Superseded Plan  
Section or Attachment**

None, New Page

None, New Pages

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Groups Covered

B. Optional Groups Other Than the Medically Needy  
(Continued)

- 1902(a)(10)(A) [ ] 23. BBA Work Incentives Eligibility Group -  
(ii)(XIII) of the Act Individuals with a disability whose net family income is below 250 percent of the Federal poverty level for a family of the size involved and who, except for earned income, meet all criteria for receiving benefits under the SSI program. See page 12c of Attachment 2.6-A
- 1902(a)(10)(A) [X] 24 TWWIIA Basic Insurance Group - Individuals  
(ii)(XV) of the Act with a disability at least 16 but less than 65 years of age whose income and resources do not exceed a standard established by the State. See page 12d of Attachment 2.6-A.
- 1902(a)(10)(A) [ ] 25. TWWIIA Medical Improvement Group Employed  
(ii)(XVI) of the Act individuals at least 16 but less than 65 years of age with a medically improved disability whose income and resources do not exceed a standard established by the State. See page 12h of Attachment 2.6-A.

NOTE: If the State elects to cover this group, it MUST also cover the Basic Insurance Group described in no. 21 above.

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Condition or Requirement

1902(a)(10)(A)  
(ii)(XIII) of the Act

(i)

Working Individuals with Disabilities – BBA

In determining countable income and resources for working individuals with disabilities under the BBA, the following methodologies are applied:

\_\_\_\_\_ The methodologies of the SSI program.

\_\_\_\_\_ The agency uses methodologies for treatment of income and resources more restrictive than the SSI program. These more restrictive methodologies are described in Supplement 4 (income) and/or Supplement 5 (resources) to Attachment 2.6-A.

\_\_\_\_\_ The agency uses more liberal income and/or resource methodologies than the SSI program. More liberal methodologies are described in Supplement 8a to Attachment 2.6-A. More liberal resource methodologies are described in Supplement 8b to Attachment 2.6-A.

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1902(a)(10)(A)  
(ii)(XV) of the Act

(ii) Working Individuals with Disabilities - Basic  
Insurance Group - TWWIIA

In determining financial eligibility for working individuals with disabilities under this provision, the following standards and methodologies are applied:

☐ The agency does not apply any income or resource standard.

NOTE: If the above option is chosen, no further eligibility-related options should be elected.

☒ The agency applies the following income and/or resource standard(s):

- The individual must have net personal income less than 250% of the poverty level for his/her family size.
- Countable resources are determined by family size:

1 (Individual only)	\$4000
2	\$6000
3	\$6200
4	\$6400

Add \$200 for each additional member.

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1902(a)(10)(A)  
(ii)(XV) of the Act (cont.)

Income Methodologies

In determining whether an individual meets the income standard described above, the agency uses the following methodologies. Regardless of methodology, all earned income is disregarded in determining eligibility under this group.

\_\_\_\_\_ The income methodologies of the SSI program.

\_\_\_\_\_ The agency uses methodologies for treatment of income that are more restrictive than the SSI program. These more restrictive methodologies are described in Supplement 4 to Attachment 2.6-A.

X The agency uses more liberal income methodologies than the SSI program. More liberal income methodologies are described in Supplement 8a to Attachment 2.6-A.

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Condition or Requirement

1902(a)(10)(A)  
(ii)(XV) of the Act (cont.)

Resource Methodologies

In determining whether the individual meets the resource standard described above, the agency uses the following methodologies.

Unless one of the following items is checked the agency, under the authority of section 1902(r)(2) of the Act, disregards all funds held in retirement funds and accounts, including private retirement accounts such as IRAs and other individual accounts, and employer-sponsored retirement plans such as 401(k) plans, Keogh plans, and employer pension plans. Any disregard involving retirement accounts is separately described in Supplement 8b to Attachment 2.6-A.

\_\_\_\_\_ The agency disregards funds held in employer-sponsored retirement plans, but not private retirement plans.

\_\_\_\_\_ The agency disregards funds in retirement accounts in a manner other than those described above. The agency's disregards are specified in Supplement 8b to Attachment 2.6-A.

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1902(a)(10)(A)  
(ii)(XV) of the Act (cont.)

☐ The agency does not disregard funds in retirement accounts.

☒ The agency uses resource methodologies in addition to any indicated above that are more liberal than those used by the SSI program. More liberal resource methodologies are described in Supplement 8b to Attachment 2.6-A.

☐ The agency uses the resource methodologies of the SSI program.

☐ The agency uses methodologies for treatment of resources that are more restrictive than the SSI program. These more restrictive methodologies are described in Supplement 5 to Attachment 2.6-A.

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1902(a)(10)(A) -  
(ii)(XVI) of the Act

(iii)

Working Individuals with Disabilities  
Employed Medically Improved Individuals -  
TWWIIA

In determining financial eligibility for  
employed medically improved individuals  
under this provision, the following standards  
and methodologies are applied:

\_\_\_\_\_ The agency does not apply any income  
or resource standard.

NOTE: If the above option is chosen,  
no further eligibility-related options  
should be elected.

\_\_\_\_\_ The agency applies the following  
income and/or resource standard(s):

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1902(a)(10)(A)  
(ii)(XVI) of the Act (cont.)

Income Methodologies

In determining whether an individual meets the income standard described above, the agency uses the following methodologies. Regardless of methodology, all earned income is disregarded in determining eligibility under this group.

\_\_\_\_\_ The income methodologies of the SSI program.

\_\_\_\_\_ The agency uses methodologies for treatment of income that are more restrictive than the SSI program. These more restrictive methodologies are described in Supplement 4 to Attachment 2.6-A.

\_\_\_\_\_ The agency uses more liberal income methodologies than the SSI program. More liberal methodologies are described in Supplement 8a to Attachment 2.6-A.

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1902(a)(10)(A)  
(ii)(XVI) of the Act (cont.)

Resource Methodologies

In determining whether the individual meets the resource standard described above, the agency uses the following methodologies.

Unless one of the following items is checked the agency, under the authority of section 1902(r)(2) of the Act, disregards all funds held in retirement funds and accounts, including private retirement accounts such as IRAs and other individual accounts, and employer-sponsored retirement plans such as 401(k) plans, Keogh plans, and employer pension plans. Any disregard involving retirement accounts is separately described in Supplement 8b to Attachment 2.6- A.

\_\_\_\_\_ The agency disregards funds held in employer-sponsored retirement plans, but not private retirement plans.

\_\_\_\_\_ The agency disregards funds in retirement accounts in a manner other than those listed above. The agency's disregards are specified in Supplement 8b to Attachment 2.6-A.

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1902(a)(10)(A)  
(ii)(XVI) of the Act (cont.)

\_\_\_\_\_ The agency does not disregard funds in retirement accounts.

\_\_\_\_\_ The agency uses resource methodologies in addition to any indicated above that are more liberal than those used by the SSI program. More liberal resource methodologies are described in Supplement 8b to Attachment 2.6-A.

\_\_\_\_\_ The agency uses the resource methodologies of the SSI program.

\_\_\_\_\_ The agency uses methodologies for treatment of resources that are more restrictive than the SSI program. These more restrictive methodologies are described in Supplement 5 to Attachment 2.6-A.

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1902(a)(10)(A)  
(ii)(XVI) and 1905(v)(2)  
of the Act

Definition of Employed - Employed Medically  
Improved Individuals - TWWIIA

\_\_\_\_\_ The agency uses the statutory definition of "employed", i.e., earning at least the minimum wage, and working at least 40 hours per month.

\_\_\_\_\_ The agency uses an alternative definition of "employed" that provides for substantial and reasonable threshold criteria for hours of work, wages, or other measures. The agency's threshold criteria are described below:

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1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XIII),  
(XV), (XVI), and 1916(g)  
of the Act

Payment of Premiums or Other Cost Sharing Charges

For individuals eligible under the BBA eligibility group  
described in No. 23 on page 23d of Attachment 2.2-A:

\_\_\_\_\_ The agency requires payment of premiums or other  
cost-sharing charges on a sliding scale based on  
income. The premiums or other cost-sharing charges,  
and how they are applied, are described below:

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(XV), (XVI), and 1916(g)  
of the Act (cont.)

For individuals eligible under the Basic Insurance  
Group described in No. 24 on page 23d of  
Attachment 2.2-A:

NOTE: Regardless of the option selected below,  
the agency MUST require that individuals whose  
annual adjusted gross income, as defined under  
IRS statute, exceeds \$75,000 pay 100 percent of  
premiums.

X The agency requires individuals to pay  
premiums or other cost-sharing charges on  
a sliding scale based on income. For  
individuals with net annual income below  
450 percent of the Federal poverty level for  
a family of the size involved, the amount of  
premiums cannot exceed 7.5 percent of the  
individual's income.

The premiums or other cost-sharing  
charges, and how they are applied, are  
described on page 12p.

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1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XIII),  
(XV), (XVI), and 1916(g)  
of the Act (cont.)

Payment of Premiums or Other Cost Sharing Charges

For individuals eligible under the Medical Improvement Group described in No. 25 on page 23d of Attachment 2.2-A:

NOTE: Regardless of the option selected below, the agency MUST require that individuals whose annual adjusted gross income, as defined under IRS statute, exceeds \$75,000 pay 100 percent of premiums.

\_\_\_\_\_ The agency requires individuals to pay premiums or other cost-sharing charges on a sliding scale based on income. For individuals with net annual income below 450 percent of the Federal poverty level for a family of the size involved, the amount of premiums cannot exceed 7.5 percent of the individual's income.

The premiums or other cost-sharing charges, and how they are applied, are described on page 12p.

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Sections 1902(a)(10)(A)  
(ii)(XV), (XVI), and 1916(g)  
of the Act (cont.)

Premiums and Other Cost-Sharing Charges

For the Basic Insurance Group and/or the Medical Improvement Group, the agency's premium or other cost-sharing charges, and how they are applied, are described below.

The premium for this program is assessed at zero.

Regular Medicaid cost sharing (pharmacy and inpatient hospital) applies for eligibles whose gross income is below 100% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL).

There will be a co-payment, as listed in the chart on pages 12p-1 and 12p-2, for Medicaid-covered services for eligibles whose gross income is equal to or greater than 100% of the FPL.

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There will be a co-payment for Medicaid-covered services, as listed below, for WD eligibles, whose gross income is equal to or greater than 100% of the Federal Poverty Level.

PROGRAM SERVICES	"New" COPAYMENT
Ambulance	\$10 per trip
Ambulatory Surgical Center	\$10 per visit
Audiological Services	\$10 per visit
Augmentative Communication Devices	10% of the Medicaid maximum allowable amount
Child Health Management Services (not covered for age 21 and over)	\$10 per day*
Chiropractor	\$10 per visit
Dental (very limited benefits for individuals age 21 and over)	\$10 per visit (no co-pay on EPSDT dental screens)
Developmental Disability Treatment Center Services	\$10 per day
Diapers, Underpads and Incontinence Supplies	None
Domiciliary Care	None
Durable Medical Equipment (DME)	20% of Medicaid maximum allowable amount per DME item
Emergency Department Services: Emergency Services	\$10 per visit
Non-emergency	\$10 per visit
End Stage Renal Disease Services	None
Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment (EPSDT) (not available for individuals over age 21)	None
Eyeglasses	None
Family Planning Services	None
Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC)	\$10 per visit
Hearing Aids (not covered for individuals age 21 and over)	10% of Medicaid maximum allowable amount
Home Health Services	\$10 per visit
Hospice	None
Hospital: Inpatient	25% of 1 <sup>st</sup> inpatient day (Medicaid per diem)
Outpatient	\$10 per visit
Hyperalimentation	10% of Medicaid maximum allowable amount
Immunizations	None
Laboratory and X-Ray	\$10 per visit
Medical Supplies	None

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STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

State: ARKANSAS

MORE LIBERAL METHODS OF TREATING RESOURCES  
UNDER SECTION 1902 (r) (2) OF THE ACT

☐ Section 1902 (f) State

☒ Non-Section 1902 (f) State

For Working Individuals with Disabilities - Basic Insurance Group -TWWIIA:

- A second vehicle can be disregarded if used by the spouse to maintain employment.
- All retirement accounts, both private and employer sponsored, will be disregarded as a resource.

An approved account of up to \$10,000 can be disregarded if it is designated to save for any expense that will enhance independence or increase employment opportunities.

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UNDER SECTION 1902 (r) (2) OF THE ACT\*

☐ Section 1902 (f) State

☒ Non-Section 1902 (f) State

For Working Individuals with Disabilities - Basic Insurance Group-TWWIIA: Only the income of the disabled individual will be used to determine eligibility. There will be no deeming of spousal income.

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\*More liberal methods may not result in exceeding gross income limitations under section 1903 (f).

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PROGRAM SERVICES	"New" CO-PAYMENT
Mental Health Services	
Inpatient Psychiatric Services for Under Age 21	25% of 1 <sup>st</sup> day's Medicaid per diem
Outpatient Mental and Behavioral Health	\$10 per visit
Nurse Services: Certified Nurse Midwife	\$10 per visit
Nurse Practitioner	\$10 per visit
Private Duty Nursing	\$10 per visit
Orthodontia (not covered for individuals age 21 and over)	None
Orthotic Appliances	10% of Medicaid maximum allowable amount
Personal Care	None
Physician	\$10 per visit
Podiatry	\$10 per visit
Prescription Drugs	\$10 for generic drugs; \$15 for brand name
Prosthetic Devices	10% of Medicaid maximum allowable amount
Rehabilitation Services for Persons with Physical Disabilities (RSPD)	25% of 1 <sup>st</sup> day's Medicaid in-patient per diem
Rural Health Clinic	\$10 per visit
Targeted Case Management	10% of Medicaid maximum allowable rate per unit
Therapy (age 21 and over have very limited coverage)	
Occupational	\$10 per visit
Physical	\$10 per visit
Speech	\$10 per visit
Transportation (non-emergency)	None
Ventilator Services	None
Vision Care	\$10 per visit

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